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department of water, air and waste management

*Sheller Globe - Keokuk
HW Facility file*

November 20, 1984

Roger Burtraw, Division General Manager
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Dear Mr. Burtraw,

On November 6, 1984, the property around the plant was inspected with Mr. Dick Adkins. The area of the wastewater treatment plant tank was viewed and found to have an oily waste discharge to the east tank. An area immediately north of the tanks also had an undetermined amount of oil contaminated soil and a small slick in a 10 ft. diameter depression.

In April of this year, your facility personnel reported an oil spill in the vicinity of the current soil contamination. A subsequent letter indicated all spill residue and contamination had been cleaned up (copy attached). The inspection on November 6th revealed not all spill residue had been cleaned up.

The contaminated soil and oil residue must be removed and disposed of properly. It is recommended the oil slick outside of the tanks be removed immediately. The oil slick inside the east tank is not discharging to the polishing pond at a rate that presents an environmental degradation but should be cleaned up (removed) from the tank as soon as possible. The oil contaminated soil should be removed as soon as possible, but certainly by the middle of December 1984.

Please send a written response and description of remedial efforts by December 21, 1984.

During the inspection on November 6th a suspended solid was observed being discharged to the polishing pond. The discharge appeared to be zinc stearate from the 'Banbury' room. A sample of the polishing pond effluent was collected and will be analyzed for pH, total suspended solids and total zinc. Depending on the results of the tests, there may be an additional parameter(s) added to the NPDES permit for this facility.

If you have any questions feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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